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LATEST SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI TAX-COLLECTING DIFFICULTIES.

Shanghai, January 9.
The collection of taxes is unsatisfactory and summonses are expected on Saturday.

EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAM.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI CHINESE REFUSE TO PAY TAXES.

Shanghai, January 9.
A number of Chinese this morning refused to pay their taxes and two arrests were made.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

WOOD ALCOHOL SCANDALS.

New York, Jan. 6.
A man named D'Ambrosio, who is alleged to be concerned in the wood alcohol conspiracy, has been arrested and held in twenty-five thousand dollars bail. He has confessed to filling whisky barrels with crude alcohol at a Brooklyn undertaker's garage. Bail has been fixed at one hundred thousand dollars each for Romanelli the Brooklyn undertaker, Saleby the Brooklyn druggist, and Ware the latter's brother-in-law, who are charged by the Federal agents with responsibility for over one hundred deaths in New England cities at Christmastide. It is understood the prisoners will be tried at Connecticut on a charge of manslaughter.

VISCOUNT ASTOR'S WILL.

New York, Jan. 6.
The will of the late Viscount Astor has been filed disposing of his American estates the value of which is not stated. His real estate in New York City alone is assessed at sixty million dollars which was transferred in trust for his two sons two months before his death. The residue of the estate is bequeathed to Captain the Honourable John Jacob Astor.

TROTSKY'S FRIEND.

New York, Jan. 5.
Weinstein (Chief of Staff of the Russian Soviets in the United States, who has been arrested on a deportation warrant) is the ex-editor of the organ of the Russian Socialist Federation published here and is a close friend of Trotsky.

LORD JELLINE'S TOUR.

Washington, Jan. 6.
Admiral Lord Jellicoe was the guest of the American Navy at the house of Secretary Daniels. There was a great naval gathering including the Naval Attachés of the Embassies. It is uncertain whether Lord Jellicoe on leaving America will proceed to South Africa or direct to London.

AMERICA'S BOLSHEVIKS.

Washington, Jan. 6.
War Secretary Baker announced that the Reds recently arrested and now held for deportation will be concentrated at Upton Camp, Long Island, which was one of the United States army camps in war time.

INCREASED RAILWAY RATES.

London, Jan. 6.
It is estimated that the increase in railway rates which will be enforced on 15th January will mean an increase of 22½ pence a pound on the price of cotton

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE PEACE TREATY.

Paris, Jan. 6.
Paris by the end of the week will again have a contingent of Allied Premiers and Foreign Ministers. As during the first Peace Conference daily meetings will be confined to the Big Four but Powers with minor interests will be called into consultation when their interests are being discussed.

The French Minister of Reconstruction has reported to the Supreme Council the terms of arrangement with the German delegates concerning Scapa Flow compensation. Only 192,000 tons of port material will be required immediately and the remainder may be reduced according to the conclusions of the committee now investigating the situation in German ports. The last difficulty to the exchange of ratifications of the Peace Treaty having been removed the final ceremony leading to the coming into force of the Treaty will take place on the afternoon of January 10.—Havas.

London, Jan. 6.

Mr. Lloyd George yesterday presided at the first of a series of Cabinet Councils to be held this week for the purpose of settling the British attitude towards outstanding Peace Conference questions including the future of Turkey, Hungary, Bulgaria and the Adriatic. When Mr. Lloyd George goes to Paris, probably on Thursday, he will be accompanied by Lord Curzon, Mr. Montagu and possibly Mr. Bonar Law. The presence of Mr. Montagu is necessary in connection with the Turkish problem.

Signor Nitti and Signor Schialloja arrived last night to confer with Mr. Lloyd George for three days regarding Finance and the Adriatic.

Washington, Jan. 6.

Congress has resumed its sittings. Senator King (Democrat) introduced a new ratification resolution with fifteen reservations and threatened to bring them up soon for discussion unless progress was shown towards a compromise.

London, Jan. 6.

The "Times" Paris correspondent says the "Temps" in an inspired explanation indicates the omission of the word "Associated" from the Supreme Council decisions on 5 January was due to the fact that the United States Ambassador in Paris was not empowered to assent to certain decisions until he had obtained his Government's approval. Otherwise the Conference communiques continue to be worded as "the Allied and Associated Powers."

BRITISH TRADE.

London, Jan. 7.
The Board of Trade returns of imports for December show £169,000,000 and exports £90,000,000, increases of £53,000,000 and £52,000,000 respectively as compared with December 1918. The imports of 1919 totalled £1,632,000,000 and exports £789,000,000, increases of £315,000,000 and £297,000,000 respectively as compared with 1918. The principal increases of the year were: Imports—food, £142,000,000 and raw materials £188,000,000 of which £40,000,000 were cotton and £65,000,000 wool; Exports—coal £40,000,000; manufactures, £225,000,000 including £60,000,000 cotton textiles and £48,000,000 woollens.

EMPIRE COTTON GROWING.

London, Jan. 6.
A conference of representatives of Lancashire Chambers of Commerce and employers' and operatives' organisations was held in Manchester to consider the question of the best methods of increasing cotton growing within the Empire in view of America's probable inability to supply England's future demands. Sir William Barton moved a resolution urging the Government to take immediate steps to advance by every means cotton growing within the Empire. He opined that Mesopotamia was the most hopeful spot for Lancashire's future supplies.

TINTED SHAVING BRUSHES.

London, Jan. 5.
The Ministry of Health announces several cases of anthrax, two of which have been fatal, during the past few weeks. These have been definitely traced to shaving brushes from Japan and investigations have since revealed the arrival of several further tainted consignments from Japan. Consequently, the Government is taking steps with regard to the further importation of shaving brushes.

FRENCH POLITICS.

Paris, Jan. 6.
Though M. Clemenceau has so far refused to allow his candidature to be officially published there is no doubt he is ready to accept the almost unanimous decision of public opinion and undertake the burden of the Presidency. In French political circles the names of M. Millerand and M. Poincaré are mentioned as head of the future Ministry after M. Clemenceau's resignation.—Havas.

MORE SHIPS FOR CHINA SQUADRON.

London, Jan. 6.
The following vessels will assemble at Plymouth on 15th January to proceed to the China Station: H.M.S. Colombo (light cruiser); H.M.S. Monmouth, H.M.S. Foxglove and H.M.S. Drake (torpedoes); and the Cruiser H.M.S. Mauritius.

THE OPERA SEASON.

A RARE MUSICAL TREAT.

Rightly recognised as the finest opera of Verdi, "Aida", is always certain of attracting a large crowd, and when the Russian Grand Opera Company produced it at the City Hall last night, there was not a vacant seat in the whole of the theatre. The famous Italian composer, who at that time had come under the ascending influence of Wagner, made a special visit to Cairo to gain inspiration and colour for the work, and the result was a composition in which is blended the high "flowery" music of his native mind and the solemn mystic chanting of old Egypt. It is a work to inspire and the enthusiasm with which last night's rendering was greeted told of how much the listeners were enraptured. If the Russian Opera Company had done no more than give Hongkong last night's musical feast its visit would have been noteworthy.

Aida, the slave girl who is really the daughter of the King of Ethiopia, was impersonated by Miss Guseva, an artist who possesses a highly-trained powerful and expressive soprano voice. Bearing a very heavy part, she acquitted herself not only with credit but with positive success. Seldom is it that Hongkong has opportunity of hearing so perfect a singer. Her solo in the first act, where she prays for Radames, her beloved, to return from the war a conqueror, was a positive triumph, and no less so was her avowal of love when brought before Amneris, the princess who is her rival for the heart of Radames. Throughout the third act—the principal so far as movement is concerned—she gave rare pleasure by "Oh, my dear country" and also in her work with Amneris, her father, and Radames. And in the final passages of the opera, where she consents to share Radames' fate of death, she rendered her part of the beautiful duet in a manner that brought for her a deeply-felt appreciation.

Miss Burskaya, who was so successful in the previous evening as "Carmen" took the part of Amneris, the princess, in splendid style. Her appeals to Radames, her jealous outbursts against Aida, and her song of despair in the Temple scene, were among the many vocal gems of the evening. In dramatic power, too, she again proved herself to be a thorough artiste. The very exacting part of Radames was taken by Mr. Preobrazhensky, a tenor of wide range and power. His duet with Amneris in tenor of wide range and great

HONGKONG'S ECONOMIC RESOURCES.

A COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed a Committee to enquire and report on the question of the development of the economic resources of the Colony of Hongkong. The following have been appointed members of the Committee:—

The Hon. Sir Catchick Paul Chater, K.C.M.G., Chairman.
The Hon. Mr. Edward Victor David Parr, Deputy-Chairman.
The Hon. Mr. Lau Chu-pak.
The Hon. Mr. John Johnston.
Mr. James Barr.
Mr. Andrew Beattie.
Mr. Chan Harr.
Mr. Chow Shou-sou.
Mr. Robert Morton Dyer.
Mr. Adam Gibson.
Mr. Dennis Kebir Moss.
Mr. James Reid.
Mr. Ross Thompson.
Mr. William James Tatcher.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 5s./-3d.

DAY BY DAY.

There were two cases of enteric fever notified yesterday (both Chinese). One was fatal.

For the possession of a revolver and 70 rounds of ammunition, a Chinese who had been to the Wild and Woolly West, and consequently had adopted the practice of its inhabitants of carrying arms, was given the order at the Magistracy this morning to hand out 250 Mexicans from the "pile" he had acquired during his sojourn "over there."

His Excellency the Governor has appointed a Committee to consider and report upon the question of making provision for the protection of life and property in the harbour during typhoon weather. The members of the Committee are as follows:—The Hon. Mr. E.R. Hallifax, O.B.E., Secretary of Chinese Affairs, Chairman; Captain Basil Taylor, R.N.; Harbour Master; Lieutenant-Commander Philip Vere Kilgour, R.N.; Mr. C. H. P. Hay; Mr. Thomas Arthur; and Mr. Chan Cheuk-hing.

At the instance of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, four Chinese, alleged to be members of the Triad Society, were arrested in a raid conducted by Sergeant Murphy and a batch of Chinese detectives on the ground floor of No. 9 Kuh An Lane last night. It was discovered that three of the arrested men were brothers. At the Magistracy to-day, evidence was given of the discovery of various books and documents relating to the Society in two boxes which were claimed by two of the prisoners. The case was adjourned.

The afternoon tea concerts at Wiseman's Cafe, the second of which took place yesterday, are proving to be extremely popular. There was scarcely a vacant seat left when the artists opened their programme. Miss Shirley Cooke and Mr. George Titchener, of the "Vanity Fair" Company, were yesterday's entertainers, and they delighted those present by their light-hearted songs and monologues. On Monday, Miss Cooke will be accompanied by Mr. Sydney Mannerling, and another pleasant tea-time can be guaranteed for all who care to attend.

An order was given at the Magistracy this morning to a Chinese that he should contribute a sum of \$250 to the Government funds as a penalty for having in his possession various parts of a revolver which he attempted to smuggle out of the Colony. Evidence given by Sergeant Fallon, who made the arrest, went to show that the Sergeant in his search of the luggage of passengers at a wharf discovered the revolver's parts in a basket. The man who was in charge of this piece of luggage was questioned and he stated that it did not belong to him. The prisoner, who was the owner of the basket, at this stage turned up, and catching sight of the dreaded Sergeant promptly took to his heels. Taking the hint the Sergeant started off in pursuit and eventually overtook his man.

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TO-DAY'S CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

A JAPANESE DEMAND.

Shanghai, January 9.
The Japanese Minister has made a demand on the Foreign Ministry that as the Japanese warships have already withdrawn from Foochow, the Chinese Government should take steps to suppress the boycott of Japanese goods.

THE LOAN QUESTION.

Shanghai, January 9.
The representative of Great Britain in the Bank Group has informed the Chinese Government that if he does not receive any reply from London to his telegram before the 16th inst. the Chinese Government is at liberty to negotiate loans from other sources.

IS IT BANKRUPTCY?

Singapore, January 9.
During an entertainment in the President's Palace, the President declared that if no loan negotiations were concluded before the end of this year, the Government would have to face bankruptcy.

CHINA AND THE TREATY.

Shanghai, January 9.
Dr. Wellington Koo has wired that the signature terms to the Peace Treaty will be given to the other Powers, therefore China should

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ITS DEVELOPMENT DISCUSSED.

Never was the pressing need of harbour development at Shanghai more keenly illustrated than during this week, says the latest *Shipping and Engineering* to hand, when, owing to a strong gale which was blowing off Woosung, the passengers travelling by the Empress of Russia were unable to embark. The consequence was that instead of sailing on December 27, as advertised, the Empress of Russia was delayed until the afternoon of December 30. The steamer thus sailed three days late on schedule time and although it is quite possible that she may make up this time during the remainder of the trip, yet, although the gale which was blowing and is blamed for causing the delay, there is very good reason to lay the blame on the lack of facilities existent at Shanghai for accommodating vessels in an anchorage or harbour where, no matter what the state of the weather, the passengers would be saved much inconvenience and trouble when embarking with no delay to the ship. Until Shanghai's harbour facilities for handling vessels of large tonnage are improved or a new port and harbour built at Hangchow Bay there must continue to occur such inconvenient delay to ships and passengers owing to the state of the weather.

There are very few ports in the world of great import which cannot handle steamers of almost any tonnage. Shanghai, however, is one of the very few referred to and, although nature has been responsible for all of the handicaps which beset the port, as well as those which make it of the great importance which Shanghai is, yet, the carrying out of plans for the development of harbour facilities, should be pushed on with all possible speed and the least possible time lost in discussing those which are of themselves impossible of execution.

The danger of ocean tonnage ceasing to come to Shanghai, especially steamers of the size of the Empress of Russia and Asia, is great and the damage to the trade of the port would be more harmful than is at first realized. On the Pacific and employed in the Far Eastern trade, vessels are being placed which are even of greater tonnage. The large trans-Pacific companies are nearly all acquiring huge passenger steamers and unless the facilities for handling or accommodating such vessels here is radically improved upon, it cannot be expected that shipping companies will run the risk of having their ships delayed for even a few days if it can be avoided. Far better, will it be argued, to operate the large passenger ships from another port on the coast where there can be no possibility of delay owing to weather conditions and have all passengers, mail and cargo transhipped.

The day is now here when most shipping firms deem it imperative that their vessels be operated on schedule time and a service maintained that in efficiency is equal to a train service which is operated ashore. More especially is

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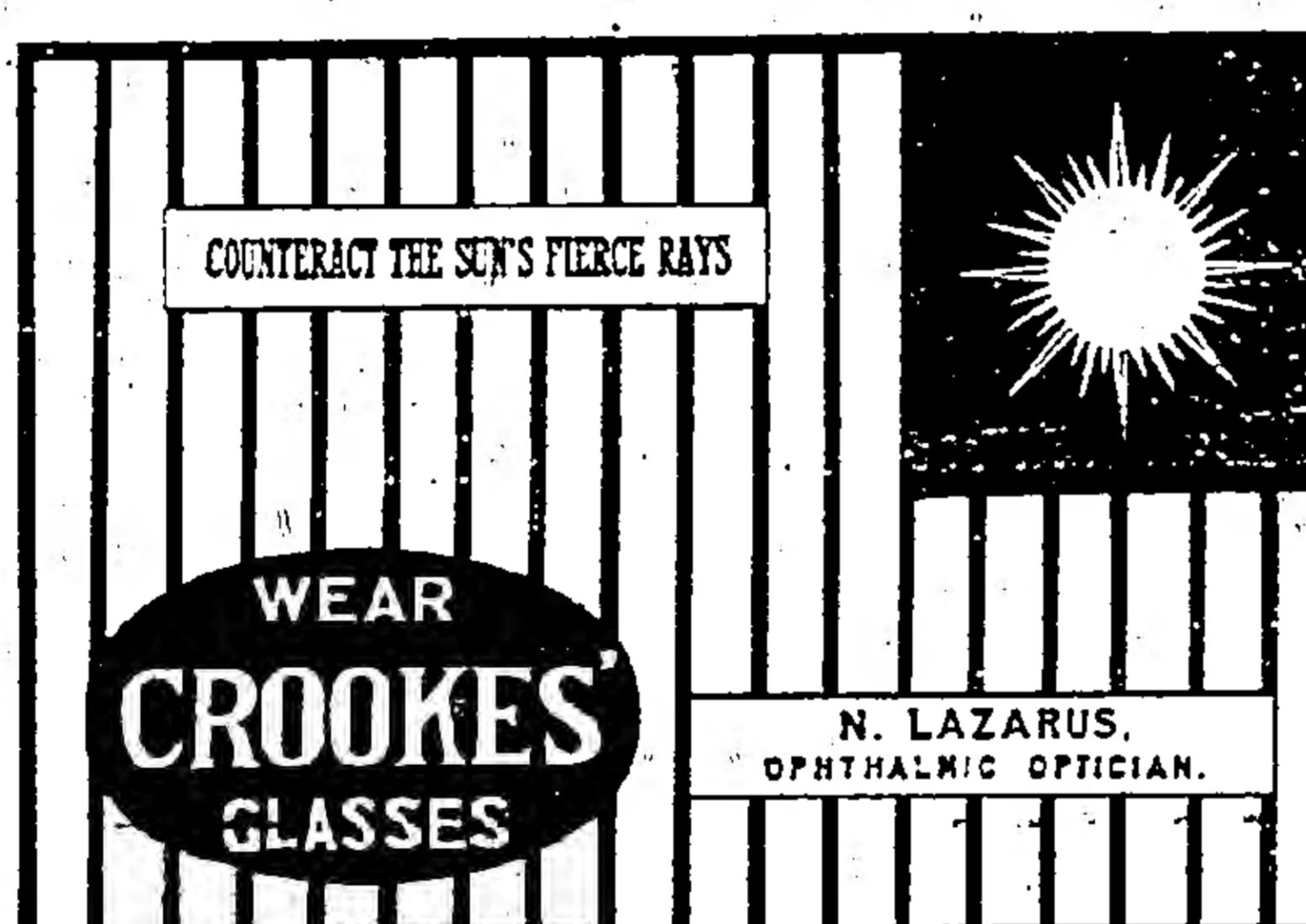
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INDUSTRIAL SHANGHAI

SOME DEVELOPMENTS INDICATED.

"China needs a definite policy in the national transportation system, roads, railways, waterways and ports avoiding unnecessary competing lines and ports and development on rational not political lines" stated Mr. von Heidenstam on December 9, when reading a paper before the Engineering Society of China in which he dealt with industrial and commercial features of importance to the future of Shanghai.

"In this connection in the unification schemes which figure in both the Government programmes and the Consortium schemes, the scrapping of some of the projected lines, which are in unnecessary competition with others and with existing good water routes, or are directed towards unsuitable ports, should only be for the general good. There would be no unselfishness on the part of Shanghai in suggesting that the whole railway net of Central and North China be so modified that the traffic will converge to an diverge from the principal port."

Undoubtedly there is excellent sense in these suggestions and Shanghai both in regard to its situation as a port and its industrial importance is a valuable centre and terminus by way of rail and water connection with inland parts of China and its large importance as a seaport places it admirably for a central metropolis from all directions.

Mr. von Heidenstam points out that Shanghai now begins to compare with the big centres of Europe or America with their complicated and highly organized forms of life and administration. Also that where the difficulty lies with Shanghai is that the city as a whole is not organized for tackling any big problem. If the foreigners want to work on sound lines, it will be necessary for them to gradually enlist and awaken Chinese sympathy and support for the future of Shanghai and with regard to the future of the port he raised questions of import, viz. what about the supply of fuel for power supply, coal and oil? How is Shanghai to get the cheapest supplies and to make itself independent of other countries? How much coal and oil will be required? What are the general conditions for industries in Shanghai when compared with other centres? What about the food supply? How is the position as to building materials? Can cement be locally made and can one build a real sky-scraper on the Bund? From where will the iron and metals be derived? Can structural steel be made in Shanghai?

What are the chances of supply of timber from Japanese, Chinese, American and Russian sources? What can North China supply? What about the general financial and economical institutions and measures required to lead and support the industries?

These questions are all of the utmost importance to the future of Shanghai and by studying them now with the intention of making improvements that will have their results in later years, something will have been done that will be of inestimable benefit to Shanghai industrial and economical problems.

The labour problem as regards the loading and discharging of vessels at Shanghai presents some aspects that will in the future have to be remedied. A few months back shipping was seriously embarrassed owing to the lack of coolie labour and should action be taken now towards obtaining labour-saving devices which are such a common feature of American and European ports, a step would have been taken that would tend to avoid the same conditions arising again.

DEATH OF AGED NOVELIST.

The death is announced, from her home in London, of Miss Jean Middlemass, the novelist. At the advanced age of 86 Miss Middlemass had continued her interest in things literary to the last. She began story-writing in early days and turned out a very long catalogue of novels, chiefly of the "society" type, sustaining a high level of interest and literary quality. Indeed, one of her last books, "At the Altar Steps," was quite remarkable for a writer of 77 years of age. Some of her incidents were taken from life, and once when a successful anonymous novel was credited to her she denied the glory. Perhaps her most successful story, judging from editions, was "Fallen from Favour."

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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JANUARY 10, 1920.

NEW PRISON WANTED.

There has been a good deal heard of late regarding prison affairs in Hongkong. Crime is, unfortunately, increasing in the Colony, and as the criminals are tracked down, the Gaol becomes increasingly congested. Such a state of affairs hampers the administration of such an institution, which is difficult enough even under the most favourable conditions. It has long been thought that the time must come when the present Gaol would have to be abandoned and a new building erected, both for the purpose of keeping pace with the growing number of convicts and of securing a better site in a less populous locality. Yesterday we were able to report that steps have already been taken towards dealing with the situation. For the time being, a number of gaol-birds will be accommodated in a temporary prison which is being arranged for by the conversion of the Quarantine Station at Lai-chi-kok, and in the meantime the practical aspect of building a new gaol in the New Territories will be given consideration.

From the Police standpoint, the Gaol, as at present situated, is admittedly convenient. It is in close touch with the Magistracy, which means obvious advantages. On the other hand, the centre of a thickly-populated district is no place for a Prison, which, to be ideally situated, should be located in the outlying parts of the Colony. Had the Gaol been in the New Territories, the convicts who recently got away after the murderous attack on Prison officers would in all probability have been captured before they had got far away. The very fact that the Gaol happened to be situated in a residential district was all in the favour of the prisoners getting successfully away. A well-guarded Prison built on a wide expanse of land, such as could easily be found in the New Territories, would make it practically impossible for gaol-breakers to get very far even if they did succeed in getting outside the walls of the gaol. It would be necessary, of course, that any new prison provided should be in easy touch with the central Police authorities, but there ought to be no difficulties on that score now that we have the railway. Prisoners being either taken to or brought from the Gaol could easily be handled by that means. So from every standpoint, it would be a wise move to shift the Prison to the New Territories.

The Hongkong Gaol at present consists of two blocks of buildings—one immediately adjacent to the Magistracy and the other abutting on to Staunton Street. Both stand on sites which, if sold, would fetch a big sum of money. A couple of months the Hon. Mr. Lau Chu-pak, interviewed by the Telegraph, favoured the selling of the Staunton Street site, but the retention of the other block of buildings for the purpose of accommodating the short-term prisoners. That appears to be quite a sound idea, especially if, as seems likely, sufficient money could be secured from the Staunton Street sale to pay for the whole cost of erecting a Prison in the New Territories. It is at any rate gratifying to know that the Government is alive to the current needs, and we can only hope that before very long definite steps will be taken to transfer the main Gaol to other and more desirable quarters.

NOTES & COMMENTS.

A PLEA FOR GREATER CARE.

We in Hongkong are often told by people who come down from Shanghai that what they miss is the traffic and bustle of the streets, but we are inclined to think that it is a good miss, too. There was one incident which made us realise that and, at the same time, feel a little angry. Tearing along almost as fast as they could go were three pullers—or rather one puller and two pushers—of a private ricksha owned and occupied by one of the Colony's brokers. They were passing the Mercantile Bank and, rather than slow up a little to allow some other traffic to pass, they swerved across to the extreme near side and, in getting through, had to very quickly push out of the way a Chinese woman, who was almost thrown down in consequence. It was not a case of the pedestrian taking no notice of warning shouts, as so often happens, but it was a case of reckless speed putting the safety of the woman in jeopardy. And the nonchalant manner in which the broker concerned took it all, as though his coolies had a perfect right to dash about as they liked, made one feel a little annoyed Hongkong is given the very familiar sight of brokers being in a hurry. It may be that reasons of the many calls they have to make there is little time to spare, or it may be, as facetious writers have often suggested, that to hurry is to look busy, but those who have occasion to use Ice House Street and the financial centre of the City should not have to suffer incidents like that referred to above. It should be remembered that pedestrians have first right to the use of any roadway and, although some of the natives are exceedingly slow to give way, there should be as much care as possible taken. If those using private rickshas with two or more coolies would exercise a little more control over these men, who seem to revel in a dash and shout, there would be a great deal less cause for complaint.

THE RAILWAY DISPUTE.

After the very serious railway strike at Hong Kong about three months ago it is devoutly to be hoped that the present dispute will be amicably settled. The news given to us by Reuter shows that the Government, true to its promise, has made a very substantial offer to the men, proposing to put rates into operation that will last until next September, when the whole question will come up for revision based on the cost of living then prevailing. Whilst Mr. J. H. Thomas, the leader of the men, has given it out as his opinion that the offer constitutes an honourable settlement, leaving over small anomalies that could be settled later, meetings of some of the men themselves have resolved to reject the offer, and it is possible, says a telegram to hand, that extremists may press for another strike to enforce the whole of their claims. We out here are not sufficiently acquainted with the details to be able to form a very minute judgment, but, on the facts so far received, it does seem to be unreasonable to take the stand of "all or nothing". The last railway strike was a costly happening and the country can ill afford another such. By reason of the urgency there is for production to proceed along steady and growing lines, it would be a serious thing indeed to disrupt once more the whole of the communication service. If the men could be made to realise this, there should be hopes of a peaceful agreement. The Government has gone a long way towards meeting all their claims and the men should be prepared to give a little as well as to take.

THE PEACE TREATY.

The telegram that came to hand yesterday, stating that complete agreement has now been reached on the question of the Scapa Flow scuttlings, and that there now exists no obstacle to the exchange of ratifications, was a welcome change to the news that had previously arrived which indicated that further delays were possible. For fourteen months the Allies and our late enemies have been engaged in drafting a Treaty and in settling all the attendant matters, and the Treaty of Versailles, when it actually does come into force will go down in history as one of the longest-considered agreements of its kind. Of course, there was a bewildering maze of questions to settle and many conflicting interests to satisfy, and the statesmen who have had to pilot the Treaty through its many

DAY BY DAY.

ANGER MAY SHARPEN OUR INSIGHT INTO MEN'S DEFECTS, BUT NOTHING SHOULD MAKE US BLIND TO THEIR EXCELLENCE.—Hazlitt.

The name of Mr. Fred. Evelyn, of A. S. Watson & Co. Ltd., has been added to the Register of Chemists and Druggists.

Certain houses now described as being located in Robinson Road and Conduit Road are, according to the Gazette, to be known in future as Excelsior Terrace.

Readers are reminded of Major Booren's lecture on "Women's work in the War" which takes place on Monday, January 12th, at the Helena May Institute at 5.30 p.m.

Wise men are holding another musical tea on Monday next with Miss Shirley Cooks and Mr. Sydney Manneering of the Vanity Fair Co. appearing in attractive numbers.

Mr. A. H. Hollingsworth has been nominated a member of the Board of Arbitrators to determine the amount of compensation to be paid in respect of the resumption of section F of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 107.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. Stanney Hudson Dodwell, provisionally and subject to His Majesty's pleasure, to be an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council, vice the Hon. Mr. Robert Gordon Shewan, retired.

During last year the following samples were analysed under the Sale of Food and Drugs Ordinance.—Beer, 7; brandy, 4; gin, 1; milk, 171; port wine, 4; rum, 7; sherry, 2; Whisky, 14. All were genuine excepting five of milk and two of rum.

Mr. John Bentley, Hon. Sec. of the St. George Society, asks us to state that a bunch of keys which was found by one of the Hotel boys in the City Hall on Tuesday night has been handed over to him. The owner can have the same on application.

The average mean temperature in Hongkong during December was 61, the highest point being 71.9, on the 27th, and the lowest 45.5, on the 30th. The rainfall was 198.3 hours of sunshine. The total rainfall registered at the Observatory last year was 76.14 inches.

The Hongkong Government Gazette contains the text of the Peace Treaty Order, which applies to Hongkong, subject to such modifications as may be made by the Hongkong Legislature for adapting to the circumstances of Hongkong the provisions of the Order. Such legislation will be introduced shortly.

Appal is made by the friends of the late Warder Speed for the raising of a subscription for his unfortunate widow, who is in England. All communications should be addressed to Sergt. T. Pitt, or Messrs. J. Wiltshire and C. B. Craigie, who have kindly concerned themselves in this connection by conducting the auction yesterday of the personal effects of the deceased, as a result of which a good sum has been realised.

The fancy dress dance at Kingscote last night was a brilliant social function and was very largely attended. There were some very clever costumes seen, and when dancing was in full swing in the spacious hall the sight presented was most striking. Mrs. Havelock Davies secured the prize for the most original ladies' costume, being attired as "A Prehistoric Woman," clad in leopard skin; whilst Mr. T. D. Moorhead won the gentlemen's prize, being attired as an old lady with shawl and bonnet. Dancing was kept up until the early hours of the morning.

Vicissitudes have earned the thanks of the countries concerned. There are some thorny problems in connection with Italy's interests yet to settle, and there are also the American and Chinese objections to meet, but, looking at the reception of the Treaty as a whole, it is safe to assume that in the main it is accepted as a just and equitable settlement. After such a titanic war, anything less than that would have been intolerable.

1895.

HONGKONG TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO.

(Compiled from the "Hongkong Telegraph" files for week ending January 17, 1895.)

THE DOLLAR.

January 11th.—The rate of the Dollar, on demand, to-day is 2s. 0-1d.

THE ODD VOLUMES.

January 14th.—At a meeting of the "Odd Volumes" on the 31st inst. Mr. F. H. May, Captain Superintendent of Police, and proprietor of the Tytan Pheasantry, will read a paper on the local importance of game preservation in Hongkong.

A THREATENED LOSS.

Jan. 13th.—The stirring chimes of the fire-bell resounded throughout the Colony at 9.30 p.m. on Saturday owing to the outbreak of fire in the offices of the China Mail, Wellington Street, a portion of which, leased to a conglomeration of mud-headed scribblers, known as the lessees of the China Mail (Wah Tze Yat Po) was completely gutted and

but for the promptitude of the Fire Brigade we should probably have been obliged to chronicle the total destruction of Brownie's very own *sacrum suctorum* and tons of "Fragrant Waters Murmurs" which would, indeed, have been a sad loss for the whole world of letters. The China Fire Insurance Company is interested, but to what extent we have been unable to gather. Perhaps "Brownie" will do the needful.

IS IT PANIC?

January 14th.—The Chinese Government evidently anticipates a descent by the bellicose Japs on Foochow, for in addition to recently notifying the skippers of Chinese merchantmen at Sharp Peak to pick up their mud-hooks and clear out to sea upon the approach of Japanese men-of-war, an express issued by the Manager-in-China of the E. E. A. and China Telegraph Company has the following, which may mean a good deal or practically nothing at all.—

"The Chinese Telegraph Administration notify that from to-day code telegrams will not be accepted for Foochow, excepting under the following conditions (a) Government telegrams; (b) Telegrams from Banks and Firms transacting business for the Chinese Government and which must bear the Chinese Board of Trade seal.

THEN AS NOW.

Jan. 15th.—Just as we go to press we learn that all the leading Chinese merchants of Bonham Strand, Praya West, Praya Central, and Winglok Street, have sent in a petition to the Government praying for extra protection during the approaching Chinese New Year festivities and the pointing out that owing to three of the men charged with complicity in the recent Winglok Street robbery and murders having been acquitted by a special jury it is expected that the Colony will shortly be flooded with desperadoes of every description.

FACTS.

Jan. 17th.—We, of course, have not the faintest idea as to who is responsible for the "facts" but at all events the report of the quarterly golf competition published in the *Daily Press* to-day is about the feeblest and most inaccurate record that has seen the light of day for many a year even in this part of the world, and in addition to a number of egregious errors evinces a lack of good taste, to say nothing of anything else.

On the part of the erstwhile editor of our elegant semi-official contemporary we have latest leader, by the way, on the China and Japan War may be accepted as a fair reflex of the intelligence and immaculate conception of Far Eastern affairs generally.

BANKS.

The returns of the average amount of bank notes in circulation and of specie in reserve in Hongkong during the month ended 31st December, 1919, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks are:

Average Specie Amount in Reserve.

Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, \$10,454,944 65,000.00

Shanghai Banking Corporation, \$24,874,230 17,000.00

Merewether Bank of India, Limited, £61,276 55,000

Total, £8,629,510 22,350.00

Sterling Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at £430,000.

Securities with the Crown Agents £137,000.

TRAINING TIMES.

A BUSY MORNING AT HAPPY VALLEY.

By reason of the fact that the entries for the forthcoming Races close to-day a very great many ponies were given gallops this morning, owners and supporters attending in good numbers to witness the fitness or otherwise

that will decide the entries. As we stated last week, there is almost a record number of ponies now in training and the course this morning presented a busy appearance. Both the sand and grass tracks were in use, the latter being hard and fast. Although all the ponies are not yet known by name, there was a great deal of "timing" being done, the following being some of the times recorded.

OLD PONIES.

Purity Dahlia—38; 1.13; 1.50;

2.25; 2.59.2.5; 3.31.2.5

Brighty King—37; 1.13; 1.43;

4.45; 2.36.1.5; 2.97.4.5

Samatra Chief. (Last three-quarters)—37; 1.14; 1.46.3.5;

Mcawber—40; 1.16; 1.51.3.5;

2.27; 2.59.2.5

Castlesand—36.4.5; 1.12; 1.47.

1.5; 2.34; 3.00; 2.32.1.5

Mountain King—38; 1.13; 1.49;

2.21; 2.36.2.5; 3.47.5

Colinton—41; 1.20; 1.57.2.5;

2.36; 3.14.2.5; 3.47.

Algerian Chief—36; 1.11; 1.48;

2.24.3.5; 2.58.

Calamazoo—35; 1.9; 1.43.2.5;

2.17; 2.52.

Ironsand—34.4.5; 1.10; 1.46;

2.37; 3.39.4.5

Slam—42; 1.20; 1.57; 2.37;

BOXING.

LAST NIGHT'S BOUTS.

The second boxing tournament held under the auspices of the Hongkong Boxing Association had its commencement last night, when the preliminary bouts in the Novices' Competition were fought with the view to the elimination of the lesser-skilled men and the provision of contestants for the final bouts which take place to-night in the Grand Tournament.

Preparations for a regular boxing season were seen in the matshed, which, christened as "The Ring," has been specially constructed at the Volunteer Parade Ground, and was used last night for the Tournament. Special plans for its construction were prepared by Mr. John Dillon of the Public Works Department, who personally supervised every detail in the construction. The result achieved is the possession of a boxing booth and ring which are as satisfactory as could be desired. The scheme of construction was the same as that followed when Staff Inspector J. Eldridge of the Police Reserve built a similar booth for the British-American contest which took place in the same site under Police Reserve management in 1917. The ring was well lighted up by powerful gas lights and the seats had been so arranged that a full view of the ring could be everywhere obtained.

The popularity of the Tournament was evidenced by the large number of contestants who entered for last night's preliminary bouts, which were divided into the feather-weight, welter and middle-weight classes. Though the bouts were only preliminary events, much interest was aroused and there was a fairly good crowd who were not disappointed in their expectations of seeing plenty of hard fighting. Knockouts were registered in many of the fights, and with the exception of a few unavoidable mishaps in the ring, there was nothing to mar the enjoyment of the evening's sport. The opinion, however, was expressed that there was an undue disparity in weights in many of the contests, this operating greatly in favour of several of the competitors who had a big advantage in this respect. This was emphasised in the cases of A. B. Fellowes and "Boy" Hall, of H.M.S. Carlisle who recklessly ventured for honours in the middle-weight contest in spite of the fact that they weighed only about 140 lbs., a figure which placed them within the welter-weights. The results might have been anticipated, for the K.O. was administered to them by their respective opponents, E. R. A. Sergeant and Sgt. Dawes, in a remarkably short space of time from the commencement of the first rounds.

Taking it all around, there is promise of an exciting night to-night.

FEATHERWEIGHT CLASS.

In the Featherweight contests, P. C. Condon, who had previously knocked out J. S. Gosling (H.M.S. Alacrity) in the preliminary bout, was pitted against Pte. Burrows (Wilts) in the semi-final. Burrows himself had secured a win on points over Stoker Tows (H.M.S. Alacrity), but at the cost of a twis of thumb which he found to be a handicap in his fight with Condon. He accordingly retired and left Condon to meet L. Tel. Conway (H.M.S. Ambrose) in the final novices' featherweight bout to-night.

L. Tel. Conway had secured an easy victory over Pte. Drew (Wilts) in their preliminary bout. Conway mercifully handled his man, and though the private took his punishment very gamely, he was simply knocked about all over the ring. It was well that the referee stopped the fight as an act of kindness to Drew. This easy victory having been effected, Conway participated with him in his semi-final bout with L.Cpl. Nye (Wilts) with the same good fortune. Nye had secured a hard victory, on points, over A. B. Byrne (Alacrity) but he had a more skilled adversary in Conway. After having been knocked down four times, he lost the fight.

LIGHTWEIGHT CLASS.

In one of the preliminary lightweight bouts, A. B. Compton (H.M.S. Ambrose) fought Gunner Hudson (R.G.A.). Hudson was distinctly the better man. He handled Compton with ease, and inflicted some well-placed blows which must have great effect, for the seaman took the floor in the third round. The sounding of the gong at the conclusion of the third and final round saved Compton from a knock-out.

In an exciting semi-final bout, Gunner Hudson met with a decided reverse at the hands of Ship's Cook North (H. M. S. Carlisle). In a fast three rounds, Hudson received some vicious jabs on his chest which must have jarred him nastily. The honour in the game went to North, who is to meet Pte. James in the final bout.

Pte. James (Wilts) defeated Stoker Haddock (H.M.S. Ambrose) in their preliminary bout and the retirement of Stoker Barrett (H.M.S. Carlisle), who was to have met him in the semi-finals, left him in undisputed possession of the opportunity of meeting North in to-night's final contest.

WELTER WEIGHT CLASS.

The results of the preliminary bouts in this division were as follows:

Pte. Dadd (Wilts) v. "Boy" Harris (H.M.S. Carlisle).—Harris giving up the fight in the first round, Pte. Dadd was nominated the winner.

A. B. Neathercock (H.M.S. Ambrose) v. O. S. Coulthard (H. M. S. Ambrose).—Winner (on points) Coulthard.

L.Cpl. Rogers (Wilts) v. Pte. H. R. C. Jones (Wilts).—An injury which he received in the eye which Pte. Jones to retire from the contest in its first round.

L. S. Simons (H. M. S. Carlisle) v. A. B. Trace (H. M. S. Alacrity).—Trace, after having been continually knocked down, eventually had the K.O. administered to him.

The task of elimination was carried into a second series of bouts in which the winners in the first series participated. In the Pte. Dadd v. Pte. W. Adley (Wilts) contest, the latter retired owing to an injured thumb, which mishap was perhaps as well for him as he appeared to get the worse of the exchanges he had been through being too keen, he had a severe accident, which ruined his professional career as a footballer, and so we find him still enjoying his spare time as a referee. It is hoped in the coming league to find everything run on sound lines, and Mr. Birkenshaw will undoubtedly be of great assistance to Mr. Gurn, May, the Hon. Secretary.

The referees' meeting on Monday is at 6 p.m. sharp, and anyone of the Service's who are interested may attend.

FOOTBALL

UNITED SERVICES LEAGUE.

The United Services League will soon be in full swing, and to make sure of being up-to-date, the League officials are having a referees' meeting on Monday, the 12th inst., in the R. G. A. Recreation Room for the purpose of passing and circulating a few gentlemen as referees. The Board is in the hands of Mr. Birkenshaw, at present serving on H. M. S. Ambrose as a Regulating Petty Officer. He himself is a qualified referee from the Southern League, Devon County, and also Western Provinces of South Africa. It is not long ago that he figured as an inside left for Swindon Town, afterwards being transferred to Sheffield Wednesday and Barnsley. There through being too keen, he had a severe accident, which ruined his professional career as a footballer, and so we find him still enjoying his spare time as a referee. It is hoped in the coming league to find everything run on sound lines, and Mr. Birkenshaw will undoubtedly be of great assistance to Mr. Gurn, May, the Hon. Secretary.

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GOLF CLUB.

LADIES SECTION.

The draw for the Captain's Cup, kindly presented by Mr. A. Ritchie, is as follows:

Mrs. Fleming v. Mrs. Bonnar. Byes: Mrs. Joseph W. Taylor v. Mrs. Cassidy; Mrs. Maitland v. Mrs. McKenna; Mrs. Leask v. winner of Mrs. Fleming and Mrs. Bonnar; Mrs. Kilgour v. Mrs. J. W. Stewart.

To be played at Happy Valley. First round to be played on or before January 20th; second on or before January 30th; third on or before February 10th; final on or before February 20th.

MIXED FOURSOMES.

The following is the result of the Mixed Foursome Competition held at Fanling on 26th December last:

Miss Moxon and Major Leslie Smith, 97-13-84, winners.

Mr. and Mrs. Redmond, 100-13-87.

Mrs. Maitland and Mr. S. H. Dodwell, 92-5-87.

Miss Gordon and Mr. C. Bulmer Johnson, 99-11-88.

Miss Gurner and Capt. Warner, 103-15-88.

Miss Duff and Comdr. Mc Cowen, 105-16-89.

Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Smith, 102-15-89.

All other returns were 90 or more. Half combined handicap was taken.

IN CHINA!

A rather peculiar incident happened at Fengtu, a small town on the Yangtze River on November 27. A party of pirates looted a junk near there and the Chinese magistrate, a few days later, managed to catch twelve of the offenders and accordingly had them executed. About a week later a party of Wansien soldiers arrived at Fengtu intent on lynching the magistrate and his staff for daring to have their comrades killed. They stated they were not pirates but soldiers but failed to explain the difference. The magistrate having received news of their intention sought refuge in the compound of the Canadian Methodist Mission with his staff and later left there and hid himself in the woods. Bolshevism appears to be rampant in this region of China if we judge by the action of the military forces, and agents from Russia would, we think, feel quite at home there.

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ner & Day (9th day) Wesley (12th evening). Te Deum: Barnby. Evening: Turle and Turle (13th evening). Benedictus: Troutbeck.

Hymns: 76, 79. God Save the King. N.B.—Psalm 46, verses 1, 7 and 11 in unison. Psalm 47, verses 3 and 6 in unison.

Psalm 67, verses 5 and 6 in unison. Hymn 76, verses 1 and 5 in unison. Hymn 78, verses 1 and 3 in unison. Litany (12 noon). Evensong (6 p.m.) Responses: Festal. Psalm: Crotch and Hervey (3rd evening). Magnificat: Tonus Peregrinus (23rd evening). Nunc Dimittis: Barnby. Hymns: 488, 78 and 80. Sevenfold Amen. Voluntary: Choral Prelude on "Dundee."—Parry. N.B.—Psalm 18, verses 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 13, 14, 19, 25, 31, 38, 47 & 51 in unison. Hymn 488, verses 1 and 7 in unison. Hymn 71, verses 1 and 3 in unison. Hymn 80, verses 1, 3 and 7 in unison.

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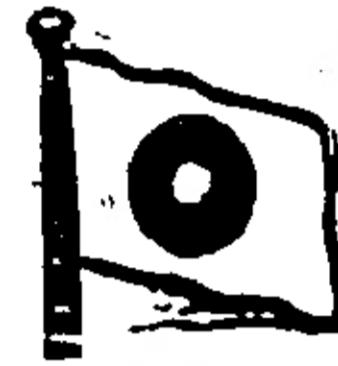
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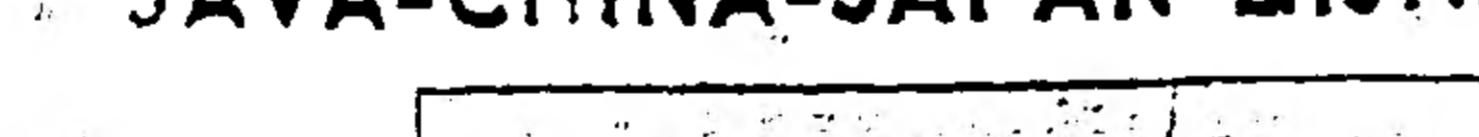
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NIGERIA INCIDENT.

Alleged flogging of native women in Nigeria was the ground of a libel action that came before Mr. Justice Bray and a special jury in the King's Bench Division recently.

Captain Joseph F. J. Fitzpatrick, Royal Society's Club, St. James's-street, in the service of the Nigerian Government, claimed damages from Mr. R. Barber, Furniture Press, Furniture-street; Mr. John E. Taylor, Lincoln House, High Holborn, proprietor of *The African Telegraph*; and the African Co-operative Corporation Ltd., Lincoln House.

The alleged libel was published in *The African Telegraph* in December last. Mr. Barber was sued as printer, Mr. Taylor as editor and publisher, and the Corporation as distributors of the paper. The article complained of was headed: "Flogging of Women Naked in Nigeria," and ran as follows:

"When en route to Maduguri I stayed for a couple of days at Bauchi, where I saw with painful surprise two women who, having been stripped entirely naked, were in an open market being flogged 25 lashes each."

Solicitorly I hastened near and inquired from one of the spectators as to the cause of the floggings, and by whose order. "By order of Mr. Fitzpatrick," said he, "because they were arrested a few days back in the forenoon and sent to the Alkali by Mr. Fitzpatrick who extremely punished for having passed through the Residency."

To satisfy his master the Alkali without hearing the case sentenced the accused to six months' imprisonment with hard labour each. Immediately on hearing this Mr. Fitzpatrick sent for Alkali and openly pronounced that these unfortunate women, while serving their time, should receive 25 lashes each in an open market every month."

As this seemed to me extremely dubious, I inquired a second time from an English-speaking citizen, who also related the like statement. Now, I must ask whether this is fair whether women are flogged in England entirely naked in an open market, whether Mr. Fitzpatrick, as a married man, would like the idea if Mrs. Fitzpatrick were to be flogged entirely naked in an open market, whether this is a newly-introduced law in the Northern Provinces of Nigeria?

Captain Fitzpatrick, giving evidence, said he was playing golf when he saw two women of a certain class go into the house of his servant in the compound. He called two native police, and told them to take the women to the native Alkali.

The Alkali was the person who acted under the license of Governor-General in a similar position to a resident magistrate, only he dealt with native and Mohammedan cases. Witness said he knew nothing of what happened after this.

It is said that you knew and acquiesced in this flogging. Is that true?—No.

Is it true that the Alkali was your tool?—Certainly not.

What is the Alkali's position?—It is an exceedingly responsible one. He is paid £800 or £1,000 a year by the native administrator.

His Lordship: Were you entitled to order the Alkali to do this or that?—I cannot order him to do anything. I am supposed to exercise a supervision over his judicial work.

Counsel: Is there a single word of truth in the statement that you ordered these women to be flogged?—There is not.

Cross-examined: Do you know that these women were sentenced to six months' imprisonment each?—No, I never heard it.

Do you know that they were ordered to be stripped and flogged in the market-place with 25 lashes each?—No, I don't.

If it were true they got six months each and 25 lashes while stripped in the market-place, do you call that serious?—I certainly should.

Would you be surprised if I put witness in the box to say that these were respectable women?—I should prefer to see the women in the box.

Sir Frederick Lugard said he was formerly Governor-General of Nigeria, and knew Captain Fitzpatrick, who was a satisfactory officer in every way.

In cross-examination, Sir Frederick said flogging was one of the modes of punishment by order of the native tribunals.

Is it consonant with the dictates of justice and humanity, to strip women naked and flog them publicly?—Most certainly not.

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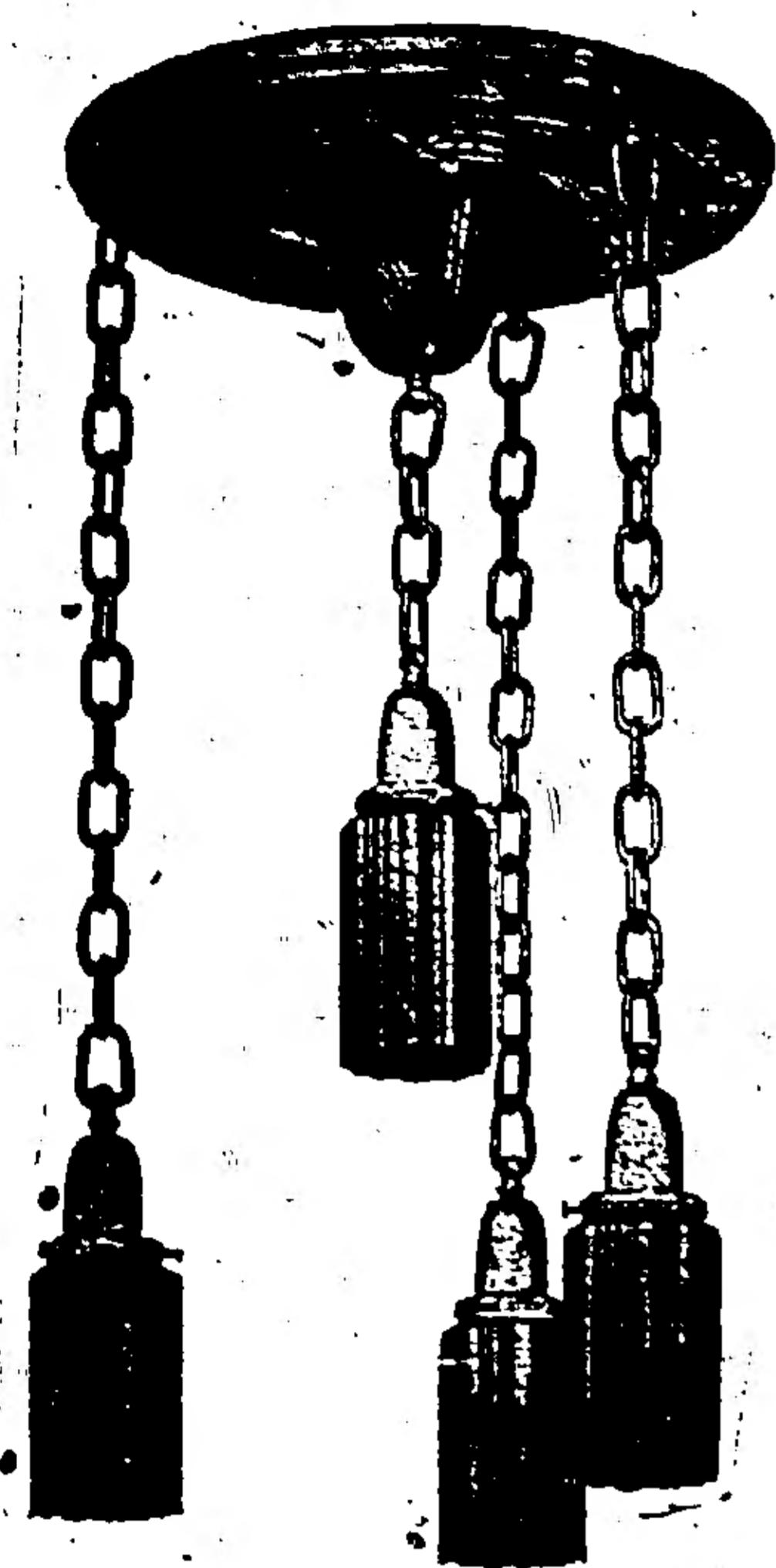
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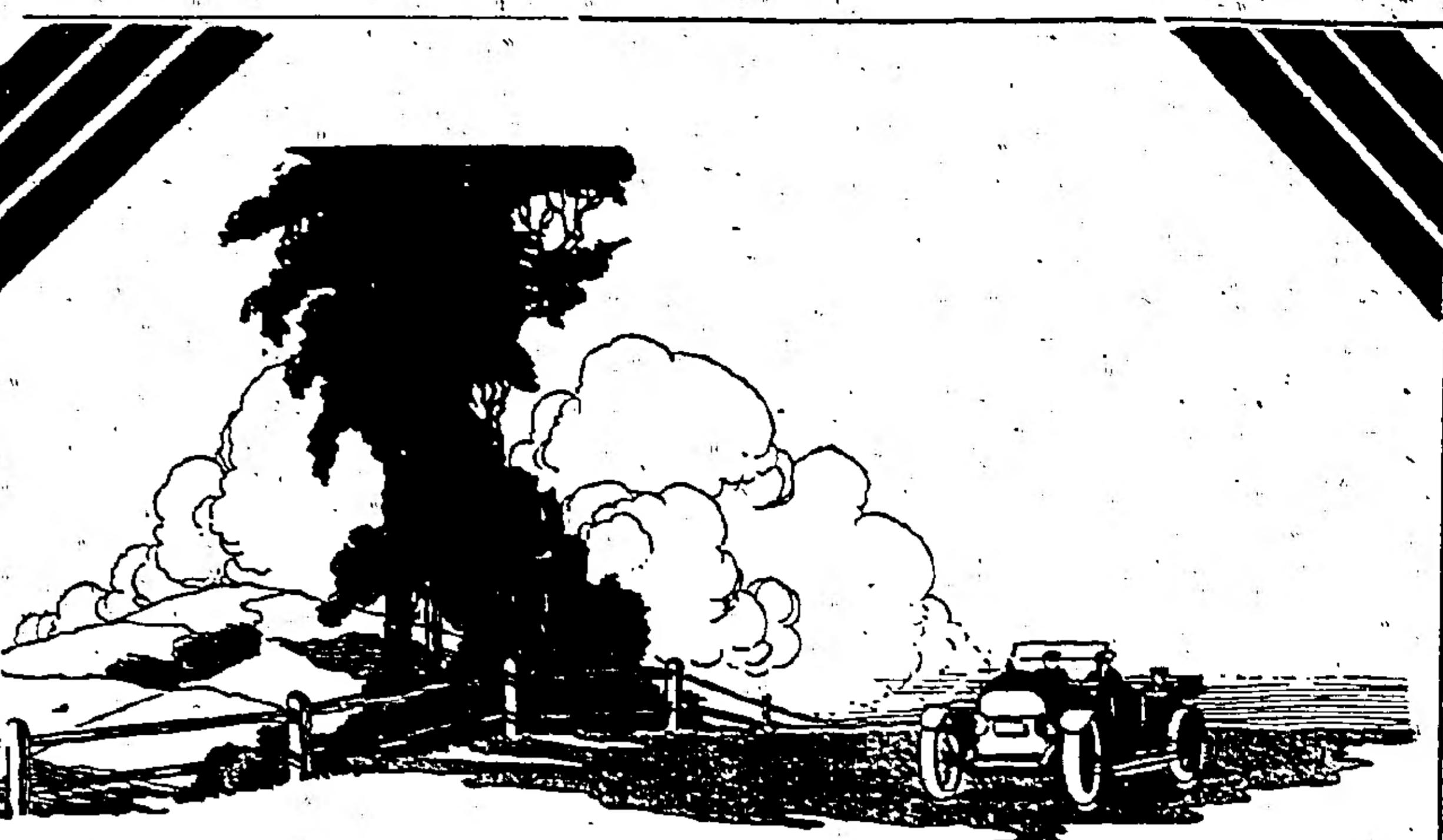
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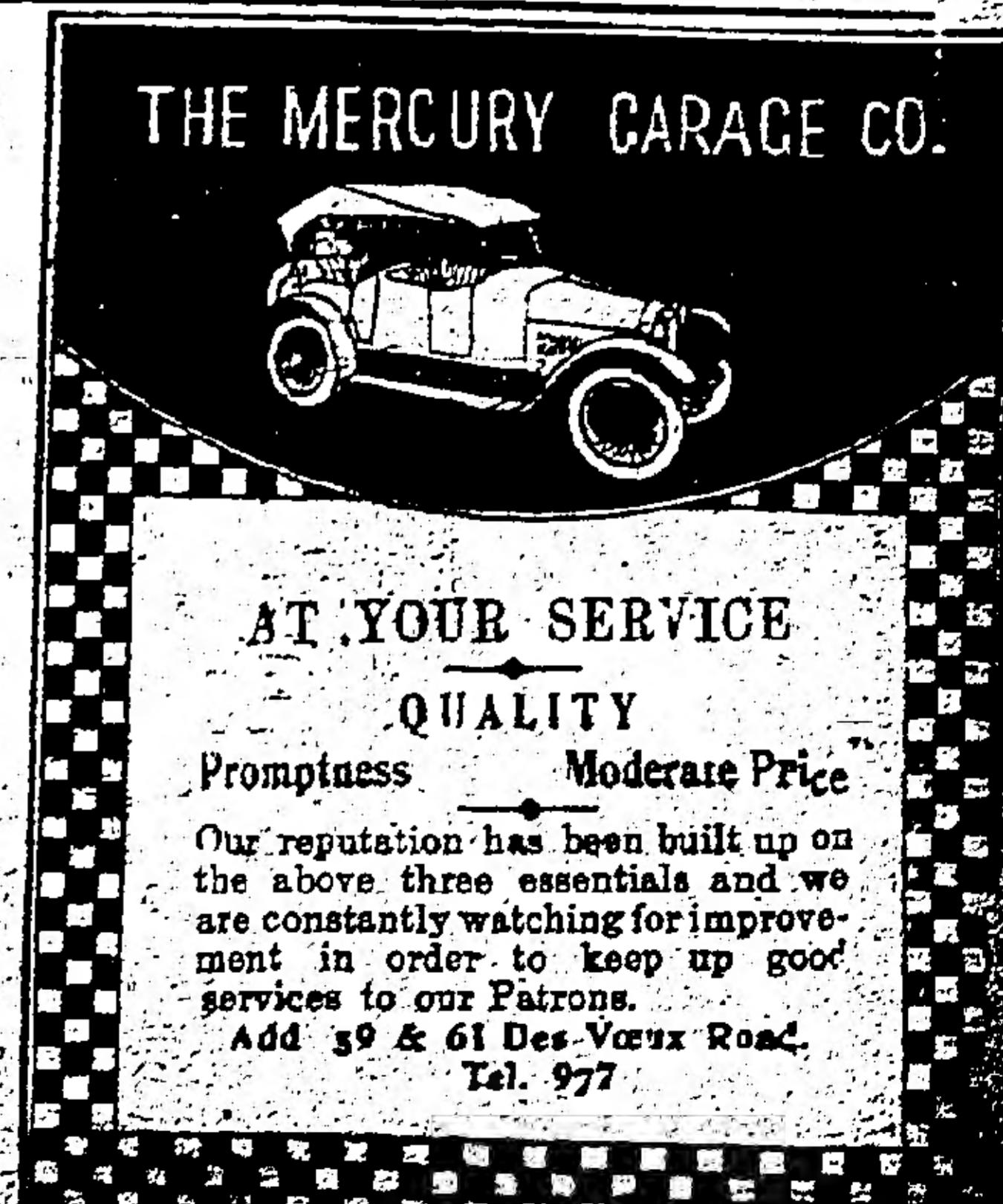
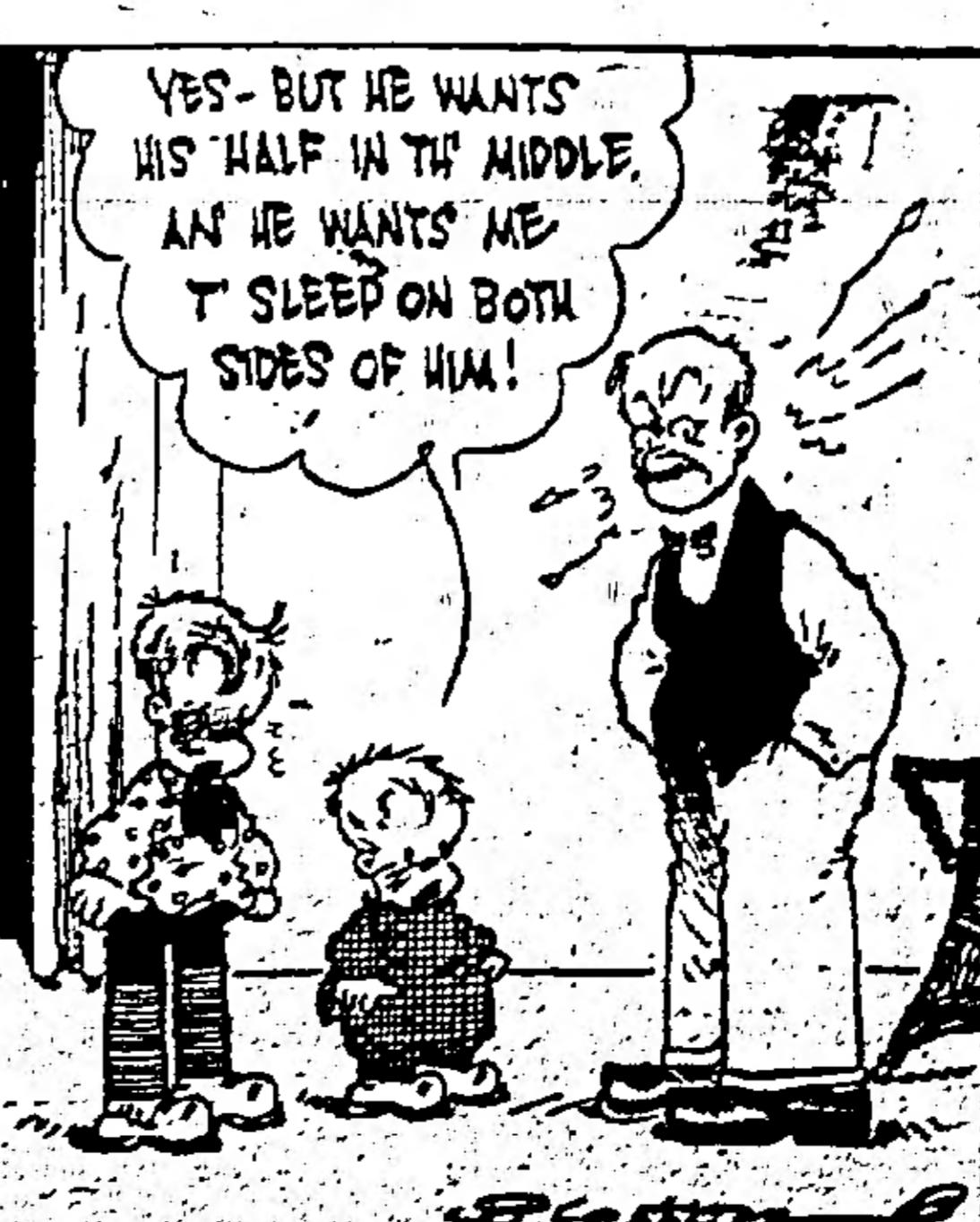
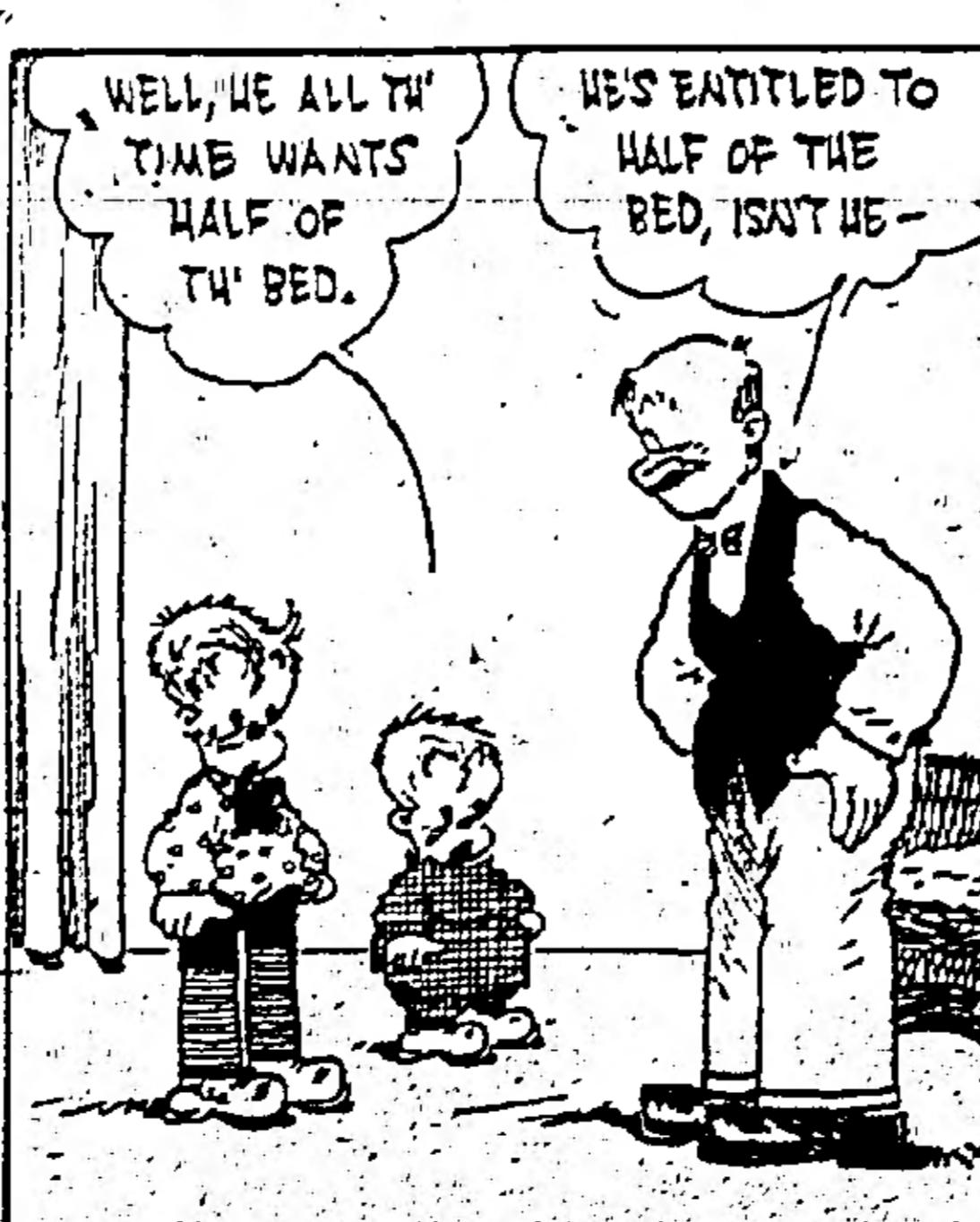
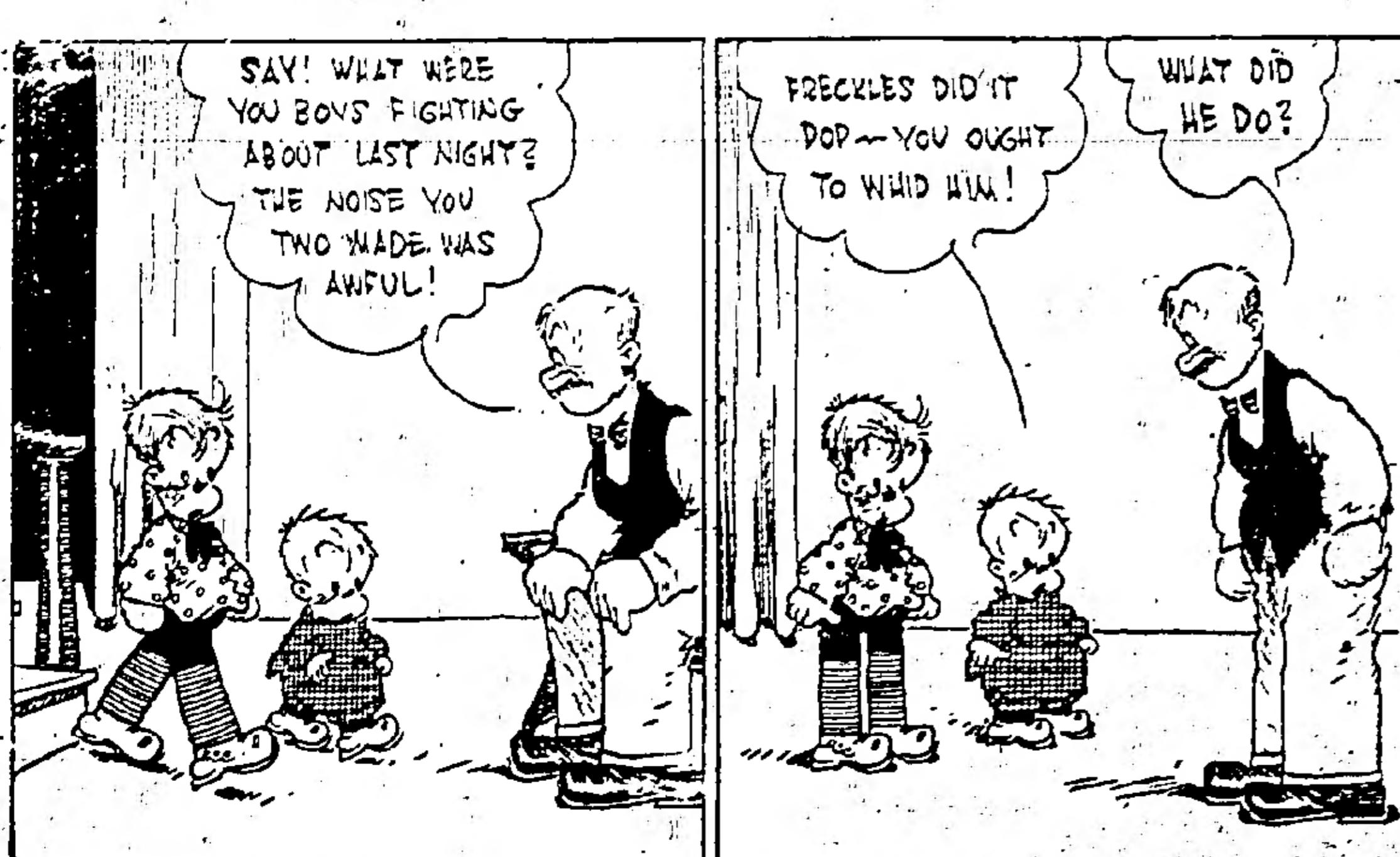
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HOW IT WORKS IN FRANCE.

During the recent French elections Mr. John Bell wrote to the *Daily News*—

The French election campaign is now in full swing. On Nov. 16 Frenchmen will vote under an entirely new system. To the foreigner the machinery is so complicated that some explanation is necessary to understand it. It is no longer a question of two or more candidates standing for a constituency. It is a question of lists of candidates for each department, the size of the list being determined by the population. Ordinarily there will be six or eight candidates for a list, but there is no limit to the number of lists. As near as possible the candidates comprising a list will be of the same shade of political thought. Thus in many departments there will be at least three lists. The Socialists will have their list; the Radicals will have their list; another list is composed of representatives of groups forming the Right; a fourth is the Royalists' list which Leon Daudet and the "Action Francaise" and Nationalist elements have formulated.

There are over three thousand candidates for six hundred odd seats. Generally, electors will vote for a list of candidates in toto. That is to say, if they consider that six Radicals should represent a department, they will vote for them. But there is nothing in the new electoral reform to prevent a voter who is influenced by personality rather than by politics to choose from all the lists of candidates submitted, voting for Socialists, Radicals, and even candidates of the Right. Considering the sharp political divisions in the country, however, that is a procedure which is not likely to be adopted to any great extent.

It is in the counting of the votes where the new election machinery is complicated. Where a candidate obtains an absolute majority, he is proclaimed elected forthwith, but in the case of other seats for the same constituency, a proportional calculation has to be resorted to. First of all the electoral quotient is determined. Afterwards the average of each list is calculated. Finally, the average is divided by the electoral quotient, and the list has the right to as many seats as the division of the average by the quotient shows.

Supposing after this arithmetical exercise one or two seats remain to be disposed of which it is considered improbable, it is the list with the biggest average that will benefit. The candidate in this list who has secured the largest number of votes will be proclaimed elected. If however, there is a tie, the oldest candidate will be given the seat. But before a candidate can be elected, he must have obtained at least half plus one of the average figure of the votes of his list.

A candidate may go to the polls without belonging to any list. All that is necessary is that his candidature be backed by a hundred signatures duly legalised. In his case, if he has not an absolute majority, his votes will only be counted in the distribution of seats when the most favoured candidates of other lists shall have been proclaimed elected. If by chance the number of voters does not exceed half of those registered, or if no list obtains the electoral quotient, no candidate will be elected, and another election will be held a fortnight later. If, at this second election, there is no electoral quotient, the candidates who have obtained the largest number of suffrages will be given the seats.

PATIENCE.

A PHILOSOPHY IN A GAME.

Miss Ethel Colburn Mayne has contributed the following to a Home journal—

Patience—not the virtue, but the game.

"Some people seem to like it," said my maid, as she came in—or, rather, sauntered casually through the room where I was playing Patience.

She is from Jersey, and I never knew before how different a Channel Islander can be from other maid-servants. "What's this supposed to be?" she asked, one day, encountering some object unfamiliar to her. I made answer by the book, and she said: "Ah! the c'est ça."

"Undoubtedly it does upset one. But I am writing of the game, not of the virtue. Myself an ardent Patience player, I yet own that I am puzzled by our tribe. The game is foolish, aimless, selfish, teaching neither self-control nor comradeship: How then may we who play it be excused?

Some frankly say: "I do it to kill time." That seems to me a superficial view. My own is that we "do" it to kill thought—that Patience is an anodyne, a way to patience.

Yet often, when I look across the table as I play, I see my nephew—fourteen, talented, unscarred—absorbed in Patience, like myself. He plays the other games—the cricket, football, tennis, which are by consent evocative of civic virtues; yet he likes this one as much as I do. So it is not merely anodyne; he does not need such draughts.

Sometimes we do compete, in that we play, against each other, the same game—Blue Moon, so-called because you hardly ever win it off. But it is one in which you can make points, though you be beaten by the cards.

"Whichever of us makes most points will get our wish," he says, inciting me to greater heedfulness than, to his sense, I generally show. I leave his syntax uncorrected, and we start. Whichever of us makes the points, he gets the wish; for I wish as I play—all heedless of the long odds against us in this Blue Moon of a game called Life.

But as a rule one plays alone against the cards. Or does one always, half-unconsciously, pretend a bout with Destiny? I used to, consciously. If I brought off "Blue Moon" or "Conduit," or "The Beetle," such and such a happiness would happen. It came true sometimes. I reckoned but the sunlit hours. . . . I do that no more now, yet still I play at Patience. Anodyne or anodyne, you see, explain but partly. There is something more besides.

The aspect of the cards, of course, is one thing. Few are the eyes for which those little oblongs, with their pictures and their symbols, have no charm. In "La Boutique Frantagse," was any moment more delightful than the entry of the Kings and Queens of Cards? At Patience, you can savour these attractions as you cannot at a real game, with its hurrying, carousing cares. But "each with the other alone" at Patience, Kings and Queens and Knaves are personalities; and Ace of Spades, the sinister, and King of Hearts, the gracious, come upon you with the fateful air they have in fortune-telling.

That strange part of us which lives within so busily a life all to itself is taking notice of these things, while the external valid part is building in alternate colours, packing in ascending or descending sequence, making rubbish-heaps, avoiding Kings (as in Blue Moon)—and, somewhere all the time, the you sit throng them both, intent on being something which this nor that knows the first word about:

a labyrinthine mystery, "glory shame and riddle of the universe." . . . Why, after all, we may as well play Patience as do any of the other deeds there are to do!

But if it is the game of fools and madmen such as that, it is the game of sages too. How many brilliant folk have played it; from

fresh problems! So we will go on buying fairy packs in scarlet leather cases, or in pigskin ones that smell so nicely and nastily:

and, by the by, when Christmases come, there is another point for Patience. "Does he want new cards or a new case?" For "her," one always has so many capital ideas that, if you notice, women Patience players rarely have the scarlet or the pigskin cases. Women like so many things that these get crowded out.

I should prefer another name for the dear pastime, but it is too late for that. The game began when people were more docile to the moralists, and liked to realise that they were patient. We moderns get no pleasure out of that. We know that patience is a virtue, but we know, too, how delightful it would be to have no use for it. But there, again, we know that "saying things about a virtue is more fun than being meek and sleek about it."

And so, scorning patience, I play Patience—taking myself in, and knowing that I do. But never mind. Each age has its own bravery. . . . That boy is still absorbed; and look! My father has joined in. Three generations play.

CHANCE FOR BRITISH
COMPOSERS.LIGHT MUSIC TO BE
GIVEN A HEARING.

The new scheme for developing the activities of the Royal College of Music Fund was inaugurated recently in the College Concert Hall. It will be remembered that the idea of Sir Ernest Palmer and Dr. Allen is to rehearse several new works publicly instead of including them in concert programmes.

By this means it will be possible to give a hearing to at least twice as many works as was possible under the old scheme. Each work was rehearsed and then played through.

There were five works in the list, and the average of merit was pleasantly high. It was worth noting, too, that only one of the five names—that of Mr. Frederick Laurence—was known. His Poem, "A Miracle," is a good piece of orchestral music painting. The other composers were Miss Jane M. Joseph, Mr. Albert Cabzon, Mr. R. T. Woodward, and Mr. Edric Cundell.

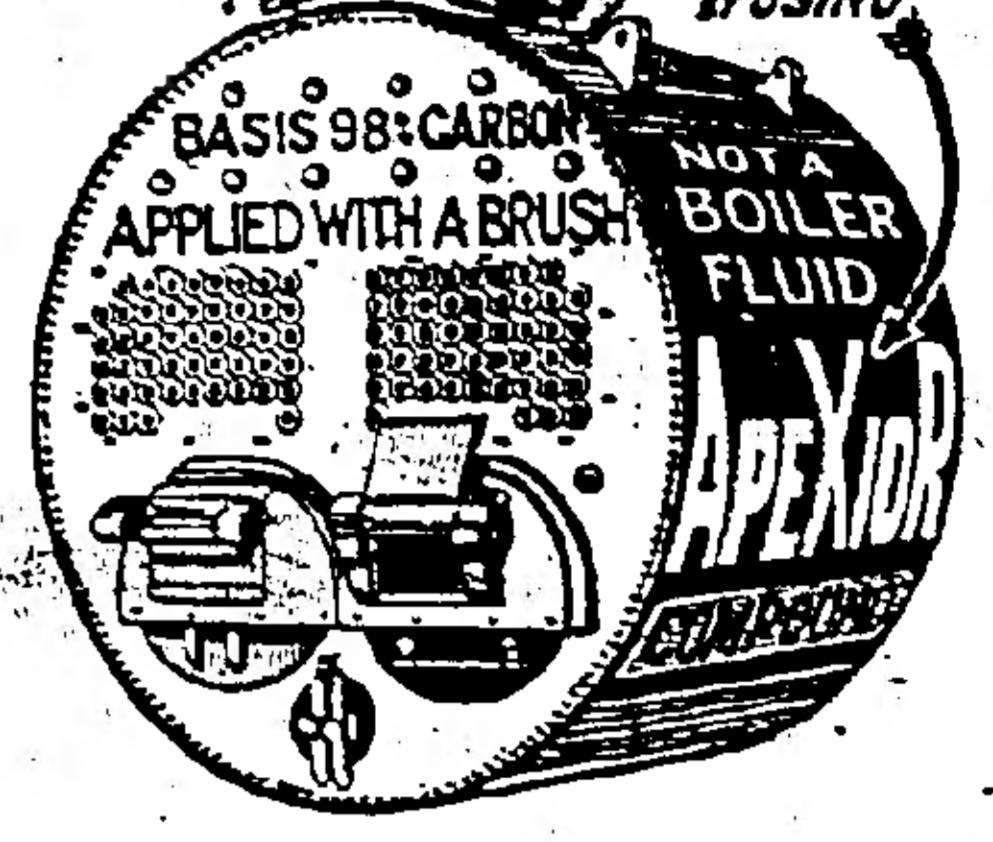
None of these composers, it should be added, have anything to do with the Royal College. Mr. Woodward is an old Etonian another proof that public schools do not share all sympathy with modern musical ideas.

Explaining the objects of the fund, Sir Ernest Palmer and Dr. Allen said they wished to make it clear that their rehearsals were meant to be public in every sense of the word. Their aim was to arouse interest in as many quarters as possible. They were also anxious to have it known that they were not taking a superior view of light music. Short works scored for small orchestras would stand as good a chance as long ones demanding a hundred or more players. Our young musicians were allowing the foreigner to gain a monopoly of light music, for which there was a great and growing demand.

It was a curious coincidence, not without significance, that at almost the same moment Sir Oswald Stoll, was issuing an an-

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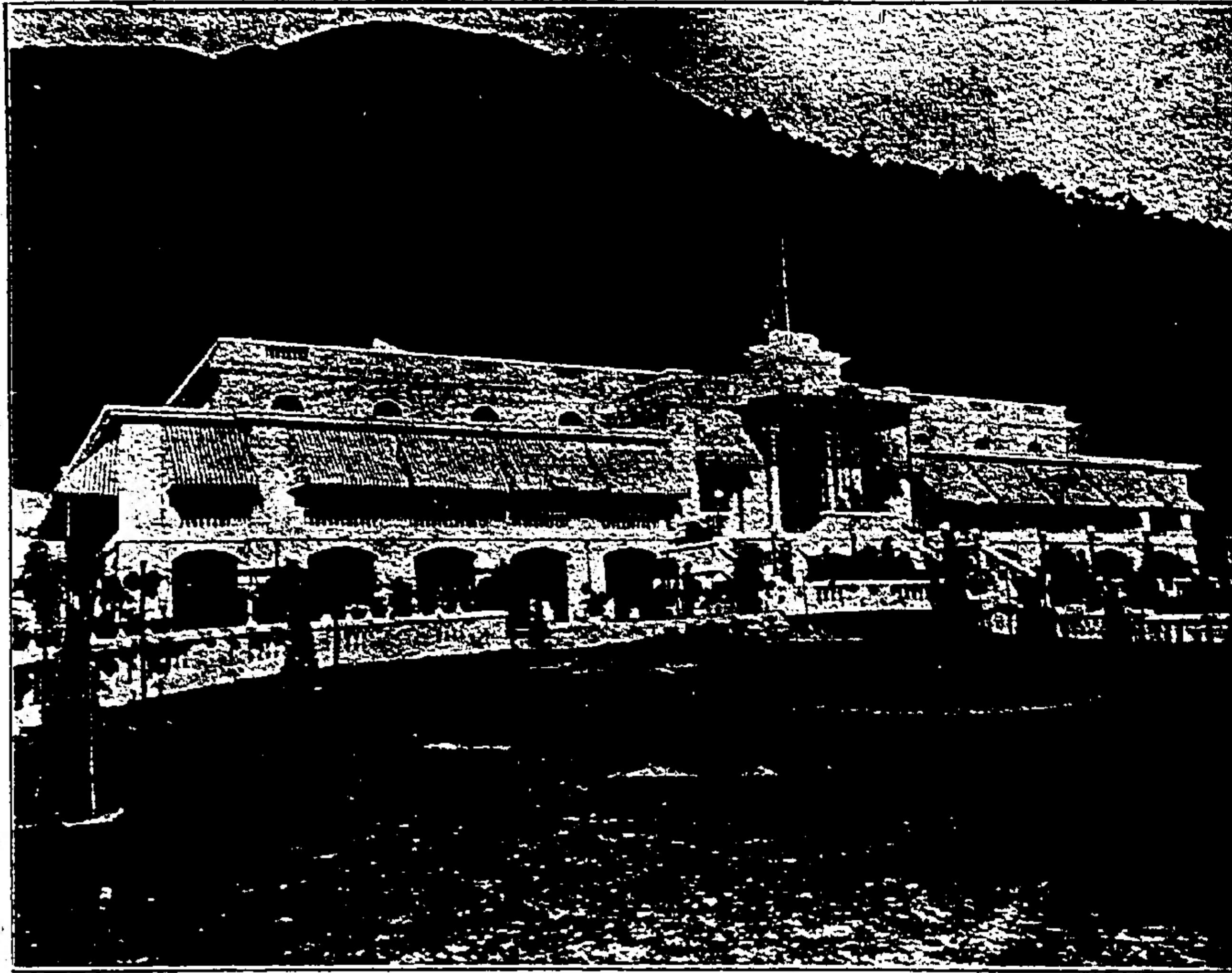
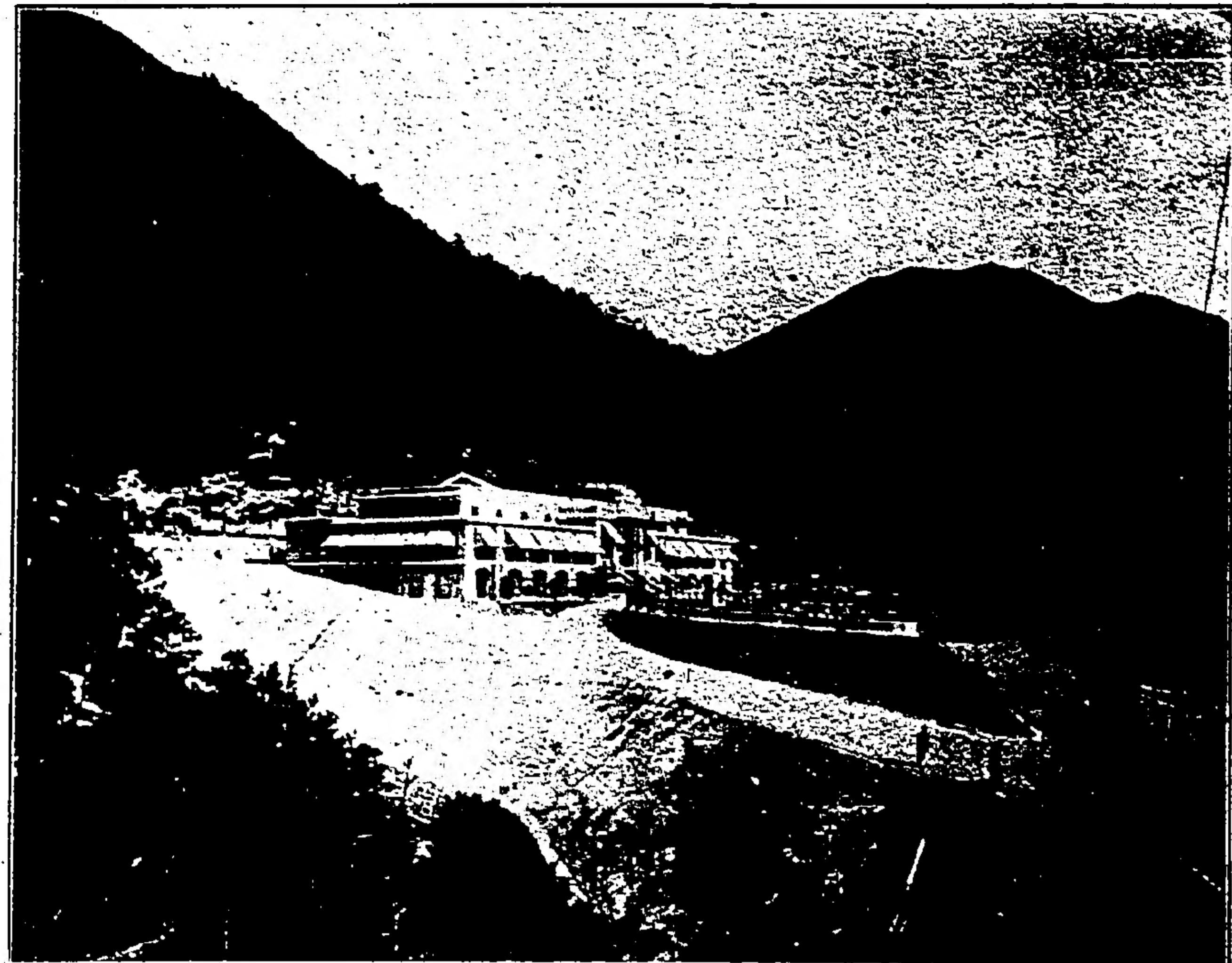
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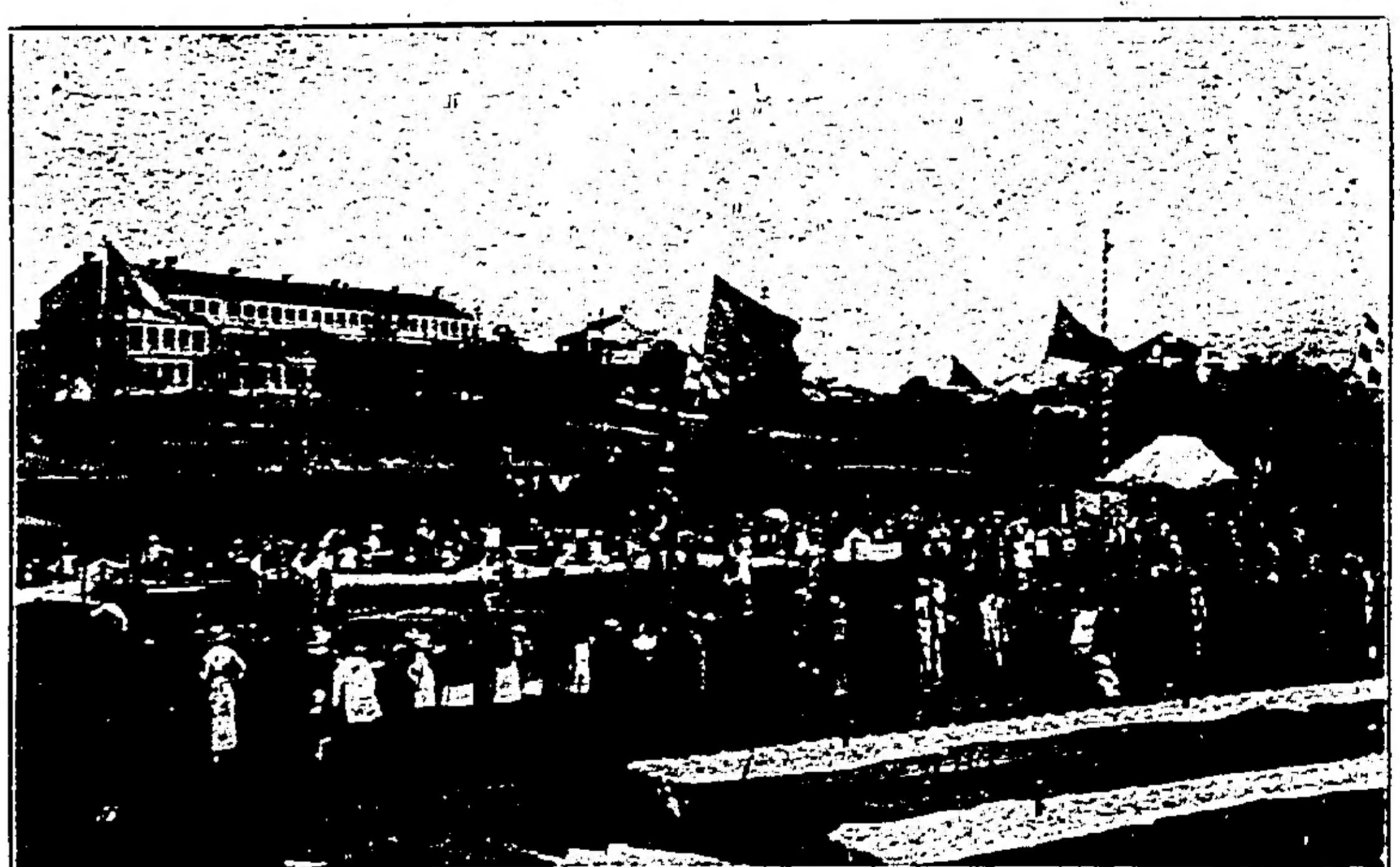


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China Providents b. 7.60	Hacao—Per SUI AN, 12th Jan., 11a.m.
Dairy Farms b. 22	Macau—Per HANGCHOW, 1st Jan., 9 a.m.
Electrics H. K. b. 87	Shanghai, North China & Japan via Kobe—Per IYO MARU, 12th Jan., 10 a.m.
Electrics Macao n. 34	Japan via Kobe & San Francisco—Per TOKUSHIMA M., 12th Jan., 10 p.m.
Hongkong Ropes sa. 23	Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt & Europe via Suez—Per NELEUS, 12th Jan., Reg. 9.45 p.m. Letters 10.30 p.m.
H.K. Tramways s. 7.70	The Parcel Mail will be closed on Saturday, 10th Jan., at 5 p.m.
Peak Trams, old s. 7	Haiphong—Per HANOI, 12th Jan., 1 p.m.
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Hongkong, Jan. 10, 1920.

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THE ADMIRAL LINE.

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